



PERSONNEL NEWS



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The England Trip

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A flamboyant sign on the side of the bus read "Jolly Old England-Here We Come!" Thirty people piled in and the journey had begun - ten days in London.

For some it was the first trip outside the U.S. and for others, a return visit to England after a lapse of years. To all it was an adventure in the company of good friends made during the fifteen week course "England; Its History and Culture".

The overnight flight lands you at Heathrow Airport just as Londoners are going to work but it's not yet 4 A.M. by Greenfield time and excitement alone kept everyone awake during the sightseeing ride that morning. The helmeted Bobbies, the red double-decker buses, the dignified black Austin taxis, drew many comments, as did

the 70 mph speed limit!

So it was a sleepy group that struggled onto the bus the next morning for a tour of the West Country. There was Bath, with its strange mixture of Regency elegance and Roman ruins, Salisbury Cathedral and - breathtaking in the last light of day - Stonehenge.

The Royal National Hotel was our headquarters and in no time, everyone was hopping onto buses or down into the "tube" (the London subway) and heading for whatever was first on their list of things to see and do.

The theater was high on everyone's list, and John Wood's electrifying performance in "Richard III" at the Royal National Theater was an eye-opener to those who hadn't seen any Shakespeare since high school. To stand out on the terrace at intermission and look up and down the River Thames with shadowy barges sliding under the many bridges is to

be back in the London of Charles Dickens.

A short ride out of London is Hatfield Place, childhood home of Henry VIII's daughters. Here we had an unforgettable evening of feasting and entertainment billed as an Elizabethan banquet. Richly costumed jugglers, dancers and musicians mingled with the diners while serving-wench brought food and drink to the long tables. The drink was mead, an old English concoction of fermented honey and herbs. Innocent enough in appearance and gentle in taste, it proved very popular and may well have contributed to the noticeable bonhomie on the bus ride home.

Time seemed to go faster each day and we split up more and more.

One intrepid pair rented a car and braved the perils of the motorways to take a closer look at the quiet lovely villages of the south-west. Some took a train to the potteries and returned with.

Wedgwood pieces for friends. Canterbury entranced others, lingering in the Cathedral and taking lunch in a typical country

town "tea shoppe". Dr. Goodwin took a group to Buckingham Palace to catch the changing of the guard. Toby Sutton and his wife lost themselves at the Maritime Museum in Greenwich where he realized his life-long ambition of standing with his feet separated by the meridian. We came together again for our last night's dinner in Soho, the once Bohemian and "sinful" district of London.

But ask anyone in the group. They have tales to tell, anecdotes galore, pictures to show and treasured memories to keep!



Promotion

Raymonde M. Pollard Senior Bookkeeper for the Business Office was promoted on January 27, 1980 to the position of Principal Clerk. Raymonde will be working for Jeff Wallace in the Personnel Office. Her new duties will involve payroll preparation and various personnel functions. Raymonde has been employed at the College since 1974.

Appointments

David R. Beuerman, B.A., M.A. University of Buffalo and Ph.D. University of Sheffield has been appointed to the position of part time instructor in Data Processing. He is assigned to the Business Division and teaches one section of DAT 101. David has extensive teaching experience in the areas of Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science. He lives in Montague with his wife Diane and three children.

Phyllis R. Nahman, B.A., M. Ed. University of Massachusetts has been appointed to the position of full-time instructor in English. She is assigned to the Humanities Division and teaches Reading 100. Phyllis has special training and experience in the areas of Basic Skills and Developmental Reading and Writing. She resides in Greenfield with her husband Archie and two children.

Vesta R. Keller was appointed to the position of Senior Clerk and Stenographer on December 16, 1979. She is assigned to the College Library where she will assist Gloria Ku in the Technical Services Area. Vesta lives with her husband Charlie and family in Greenfield.

Kathleen Wagschal, A.A. Mass. Bay Community College, B.A., M.Ed. and Ed.D. University of Massachusetts, has been appointed to the

position of Administrative Director of the Greenfield Community College Day Care Center. Kathy will be responsible for the administrative functions and overall operation of our Center. She lives with her husband Peter and two sons in Amherst.

Joy D. Betts, A.A. North Shore Community College and B.A. University of Massachusetts, has been appointed to the position of Head Teacher at the Greenfield Community College Day Care Center. In addition to teaching, Joy will be assisting the Director in coordinating, planning and facilitating functions for the Center. She lives with her husband Ronald in Deerfield.

Notes of Interest

In appreciation of the work of the Friends of Greenfield Community College about one hundred persons gathered for a potluck supper on February 16 in the College Dining Room. At that time a report was distributed advising that since its founding, the Friends have given over \$10,000 in scholarship aid to students at the College.

Present officers are Rae Davis, Chairperson, Cynthia Bluh, Recording Secretary and Eleanor Stebbins and Luella McLaughlin, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. Persons interested in helping to raise funds for financial aid are invited to talk with any of the officers.

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Editorial Committee

Bob Merriam, Chairperson
Pegge Howland
Garry Longe
Jeff Wallace
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Notes (cont'd.)

Betty Turner, widow of G.C.C.'s former president, Lewis O. Turner, will be married on April 19, 1980 to John Thomson of Greenfield. Mr. Thomson is a History teacher at Greenfield High School. Congratulations to both.

Congratulations to John Palmer and members of the G.C.C. Toboggan Racing Team on winning the Mayor's Cup at Lake Placid, N. Y. for the fourth year in a row. Palmer and three members of his team will be going to Lake Placid in March for two weeks of Luge training.

Births

Congratulations to Al and Sheila Rainford on the birth of their son, Thomas Nelson, born on January 6, 1980.

Marriages

Congratulations to Garry Longe (Media Production Technician) on his marriage January 25, 1980, to Mary Drew.

Deaths

Our sympathy is extended to Frank Hill (Refrigeration/Heating Mechanic) and family in the loss of his mother on December 26, 1979.

We extend our sympathy to Hartley Pfeil (Humanities) and family in the loss of his mother on February 4, 1980.

We extend our sympathy to Jean Waite (Nursing Department) and family in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Blance Baccei, on February 14, 1980.

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QUESTIONNAIRE

This is the second issue of "Personnel News and Notes". The next issue will come out in October and we are interested in your reaction to this publication so that we can improve it. Would you please fill out the form and return it to Pegge Howland as soon as possible. Thanks.

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
1. Do you like Personnel News and Notes?	_____	_____
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